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Harbour To Be Clear Of Wrecks In 21 Months

PALESTINE

Compromise Partition Plan Report

London, Feb. 5. An informed Government source said that the British Cabinet had decided to impose a compromise partition-federalisation plan on Palestine.

No official statement was forthcoming from No. 10 Downing Street.

The informant said that the new plan, which may be laid before Arab and Jewish representatives later on Tuesday, would divide Palestine into Arab and Jewish territories with overall control held at least temporarily by the mandatory power of Britain.

Both the Arabs and Jews previously rejected partition as a means of settling the Palestinian strife.

Jewish Agency representatives held an emergency session to consider an ultimatum demanding the Agency to co-operate in stamping out violence in the Holy Land.

Arab officials flatly rejected any move to partition Palestine in face of a report that the British Cabinet had already decided to divide the Holy Land into Arab and Jewish states with Britain remaining temporarily in control.

The Arabs' stand was taken at the meeting with British officials at which the Foreign Secretary, Mr Bevin, disclosed he would have "something to communicate" within a few days.

An unofficial spokesman said the Palestine conference probably would end after Bevin had made his forthcoming announcement.—Associated Press.

JEWISH AGENCY ANGRY

Jerusalem, Feb. 4.

The Jewish Agency, in an official statement to-day, took "strong exception" to the announcement by the Palestine Government that the Agency's recent resolution was "purposed to condemn terrorism."

The Agency's statement said that there was "no warrant whatsoever for the implication of insincerity."

The Palestine Government in its ultimatum to the Agency last night, calling for Jewish aid in hunting down terrorists, declared: "In spite of a recent resolution purporting to condemn bloodshed and terrorism, there have been few signs that any action was contemplated by the Jewish authorities or community to make use of the only means available for the enforcement of law and order, namely strict forces."

"In fact, the Jewish Agency has now openly refused its co-operation with the Government in this matter."

The Jewish Agency's statement says: "The Jewish Agency Executive has received a letter from the Chief Secretary of yesterday's date."

"The letter was immediately communicated to the members of the Executive in London, New York and Washington and a reply will be sent in due course."

"The Executive therefore does not propose at this stage to enter into the very grave matters contained in this letter but it cannot refrain from taking strong exception to the statement that recent resolutions adopted by the Jewish authorities merely 'purposed to condemn bloodshed. There is no warrant whatsoever for this implied charge of insincerity.'—Reuter.

EVACUATION GOES ON

Jerusalem, Feb. 5. Evacuation convoys of the British women and children rolled out of the

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Gruener Case: New Move

Jerusalem, Feb. 4. Asher Levitsky, lawyer for Dov Gruener, Jewish terrorist under sentence of death, to-day received permission from the Palestine Supreme Court to communicate privately with the Privy Council in London and at once to send a cable.

The Court rejected the application for leave to appeal to the Privy Council against the decision of the Jerusalem High Court yesterday, which refused to grant an order to stay the execution.

Gruener, on whose fate, British and Jews here say, the immediate issue of security in Palestine hinges, withdrew his decision to appeal to the Privy Council against the death sentence on the personal order of Menahem Begin, chief of the Irgun Zvai Leumi terrorists, it was learned last night.—Reuter.

Threat Of Famine

Viet Namh Warning

Hanoi, Feb. 4. A threat of famine among the Viet Namhese in Indo-China was indicated in a radio broadcast by Cu Huy Can, Under-Secretary of State for Agriculture, in Dr. Ho Chi Minh's Viet Namhese Republic, a semi-official French despatch from Saigon stated to-day.

"With an eye to prolonged resistance," Cu Huy Can said, "it is necessary to keep up and increase the gigantic efforts accomplished by the Viet Namhese people in 1946 to triumph over famine."

The French Commissioners for the provinces of Indo-China met in Saigon to-day for the second day of talks on the fighting with Viet Namhese (Indo-Chinese nationalists) troops, which has raged since before Christmas.

The talks, which began yesterday under the presidency of Admiral Thirry d'Argenleau, French High Commissioner, are expected to last several days.

Meanwhile, Mr Trevor Wilson, the British Consul-in-Hanoi, was to-day taking part in the first meeting between the International Red Cross and Viet Namhese troops. The talks were arranged to discuss the release of French and foreign hostages, and were being held at a secret meeting place.

With Mr Wilson was Mr Charles Aeschlimann, Swiss International Red Cross supervisor for South-east Asia. He had travelled specially for the meeting from Singapore.

The vanguard of the French Foreign Legion, which is moving towards Hanoi, Annam, has linked with the French forces in that area, a semi-official despatch from Saigon reported to-day.

Mme. Jacqueline, a Belgian woman who has been held as hostage by the Viet Namhese since December 19 last year has been released, according to another French report received here to-day. The negotiations for her release were opened a month ago by the British, United States and Chinese Consuls in Hanoi, and were taken up recently by the delegate of the International Red Cross for South-east Asia.—Reuter.

GOVERNMENT & NAVY ON SALVAGE WORK

In less than two years from now, the commercial port area of Hongkong's harbour will be clear of wrecked ships—morbid hangover from World War II.

Both the Hongkong Government and the British naval authorities are now busy on the task of salvaging these wrecks, the Harbour Master (Mr J. Jolly) told the "Telegraph" to-day.

First job is to clear the commercial port of wrecks which are not only a danger to shipping, but which, in certain cases, are a handicap to dockyard facilities.

A certain amount of salvaging was carried out by the naval authorities in the early days of reoccupation, said Mr Jolly.

More recently the Hongkong Government made arrangements with the Admiralty to charter two lifting craft and the crane ship, Selis Maru, on the "bare boat" basis, which means that government pays for the crews, fuel and other operating costs.

The two lifting craft were taken over two months ago; the Selis Maru will be taken over during this month.

The arrangement is that the Hongkong Government will be responsible for clearing the commercial port and the naval authorities the man-of-war anchorages. The proportion of work is 60 Hongkong Government to 40 naval authorities.

The first of the government's salvaging tasks is now almost completed—the lifting of a wreck lodged under the 100-ton crane at the Kowloon Docks.

When that has been done two wrecks which are fouling the lifting craft yard at Tsimshui Dockyard will be lifted.

These jobs have been given No. 1 priority because they will enable the port repair facilities to be employed to better advantage.

Not all of the wrecks will be raised, because it will be technically impossible to do so, said Mr Jolly. Where they cannot be raised they will be dispersed, by explosives, and the parts brought up from the harbour piers by the crane ship.

The tanker which is lying on its side at the western end of the harbour will be righted and then brought-up-by-lifting-craft.

Mr Jolly disclosed that within the harbour limits there are about 11 major wrecks to be salvaged, and the work will be shared by the Hongkong Government and the naval authorities.

Capt. Doust, C.B.E., who was formerly Salvage Officer, Royal Navy, is now acting as Salvage Adviser to the Hongkong Government.

When the various craft have been raised, they will be offered to their rightful owners in return for the cost

STOP PRESS

TEST MATCH

The fifth day's play in the fourth test match at Adelaide opened dramatically this morning when Washbrook was caught by Tallon behind the wicket off Lindwall in the first over.

Washbrook and Hutton sent up the 100 before the wicket fell, Hutton adding three to his overnight score and his partner one.

Later.

132 for 1. Hutton not 74. Edrich not 19.—Reuter.

138 for 2. Hutton, b Johnson 76.

RIFLED SAI ON CORPSES

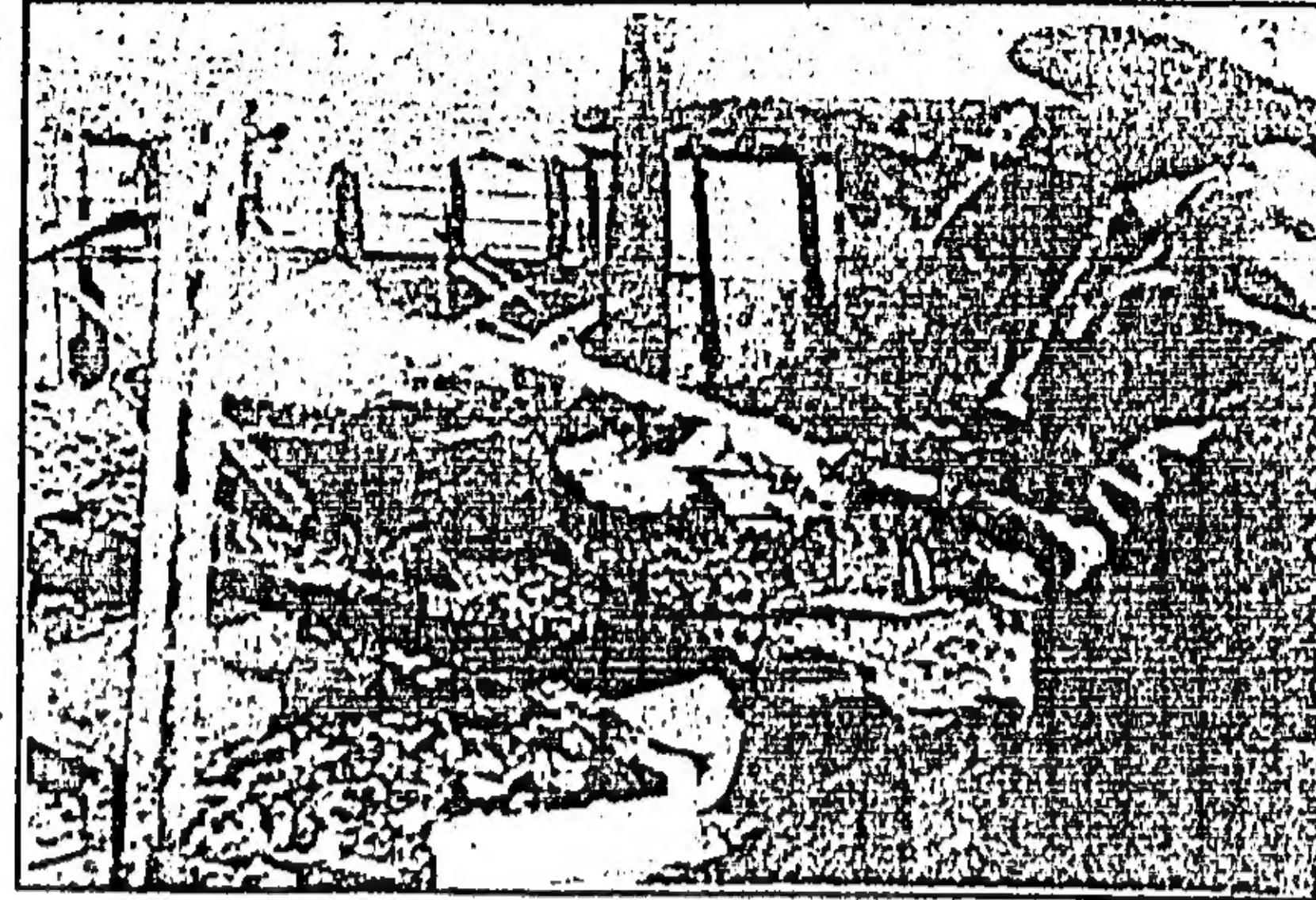
The alertness of two Fire Brigade officers who saw coolies rifling corpses being taken from the gutted steamer SAI on to the mortuary led to the prosecution of two Sanitary Department lorry drivers at Central Court this morning, when Yuen King Wan, 28, and Leung Sing Cho, 27, were charged with receiving £20,000 possession of HK\$341 or CN\$20,500. It was stated that the lorry in which defendants were was trailed by Mr Brown and Mr Brooks of the Fire Brigade. The latter noticed that coolies were extracting some things from the dead bodies and handing them to the driver's compartment. A search was carried out when the truck arrived at the mortuary and the money was found in defendants' possession.

Mr Sheldon fined defendants, \$220 or 3 months' imprisonment.

To some people, the daily sight of war-time wrecks littered around the harbour has made them more infuriated than the omnipresent Japanese memorial, and from time to time, members of the public have subscribed to the newspapers their impatience in removing these unpleasant impediments. Not that the work is in hand, it is, perhaps, as well as other reasons why its initiation did not come earlier and why its progress has not been very spectacular. Government could not assume the task during the first twelve months of reoccupation because it possessed no salvaging equipment or facilities. The Royal Navy went ahead and cleared up the wrecks that were a direct menace to shipping; but their responsibility could never be expected to go beyond naval anchorage limits. What is more, from the civil government's point of view there has long been more pressing problems related to harbour rehabilitation—the relaying of buoys and the reinstatement of shipping lanes which would enable the harbour once again to become fully open to vessels of all sorts and sizes.

The public, undoubtedly, will be happy to know that the work of clearing the wrecks is now fully in hand. It will appreciate too, the obvious wisdom of first removing obstructions that at the present hinder port facilities. In due course the ships that to-day mar the harbour views with their protruding masts and funnels and their half-turtled hulls will be gone, and with them, unpleasant reminders of unpleasant times.

Burnt-Out Steamer



Worst fire disaster ever to occur in Hongkong harbour caused the partial destruction of the river steamer SAI On yesterday, with the hull roll 124 up to last night. Picture shows a fireman playing on the smouldering ruins of the ship's superstructure.—Ming Yuen.

BIG FOUR DEFER 3 POINTS

German Treaty

London, Feb. 4.

The Big Four Foreign Ministers' deputies for Germany today decided: Firstly, to defer, at the request of the Soviet Ambassador, Mr Gusev, discussion of the reply to be sent by the deputies to the Italian request to be heard on the German treaty.

Secondly, defer discussion of the communication received from the Inter-Allied Reparations Agency in order to give Mr Gusev time to study the text.

Thirdly, to defer study of the report from the Drafts Committee of the skeleton plan of the deputies' eventual report to the Foreign Ministers. Mr Gusev had no Russian text of this report.

The deputies received a communication from the Luxembourg Government to say that the Luxembourg delegation would arrive to-morrow afternoon in London. It is expected to present a memorandum on Germany in the next few days and will be heard orally on Thursday.

Discussion of the French memorandum on procedure, which had been expected to-day, was not reached and will probably take place to-morrow.

To-day's session of the German deputies was almost entirely devoted to the hearing of the New Zealand statement presented by the New Zealand High Commissioner, Mr W. J. Jordan. After Mr Jordan had read his Government's memorandum, he was asked a number of questions, principally by Mr Gusev and Robert Murphy, of the United States. Mr Jordan endeavoured to refer the questions on the extent of Allied control in Germany to his Government, or for a more precise answer.

Mr Patrick Dean, head of the German Department of the Foreign Office, to-day, deputised for Sir William Strang as British delegate. Sir William, who is in Berlin, is expected back in London to-morrow.

N. ZEALAND OPINION

New Zealand, whose views on Germany were received to-day by the German deputies at Lancaster House, made several original contributions to the sum total of Allied opinion, which has accumulated from the hearing of Allied views.

Firstly, in urging that a careful study should be given to "detaching and placing under international control certain areas vital to the German war potential" she became the first of the lesser powers to support the French theory that the Ruhr should be detached and internationally controlled if Europe is to be made secure against renewed aggression.

Secondly, in recommending that "long overdue land reforms" which have not been carried out under the occupation should be imposed on Germany. New Zealand implicitly criticises failure to carry out these reforms in the British Zone, thus echoing recent Soviet criticisms on the same project.

Thirdly, in calling on the Big Four to distribute essential information and documentation to the allies. New Zealand is adopting a line identical to the recommendation made in the French memorandum on procedure, which is expected to be discussed to-morrow.—Reuter.

SAI ON INQUIRY Decision Announced

Decision Announced

An inquiry into the SAI On disaster will be held in a few weeks time.

This was disclosed by the Harbour Master Mr J. Jolly, this morning.

No further bodies have been recovered from the burnt-out river steamer since late last night, although firemen believe there may still be some under debris which they have not yet been able to comb.

Fire Brigade officials are still not in a position to state the cause of the fire.

UNDERGROUND MOVEMENT

General's Warning

Stuttgart, Feb. 4. Lt. Gen. Lucius Clay, Deputy Commander of the U. S. Army in Germany, told the press to-day that the time has come for American authorities in Germany to begin warning about the organised underground movement.

Gen. Clay's statement came when he was questioned about recent charges of underground activities contained in a report by the International Committee for European Questions. High ranking military authorities had previously denied that any organised German underground movement existed.

"I would be the last to deny the possibility that Nazi-sponsored subversive groups may exist in the American Zone," Clay said in his surprise statement. "Actually the time has just now arrived when we should begin to worry about such underground groups."—United Press.

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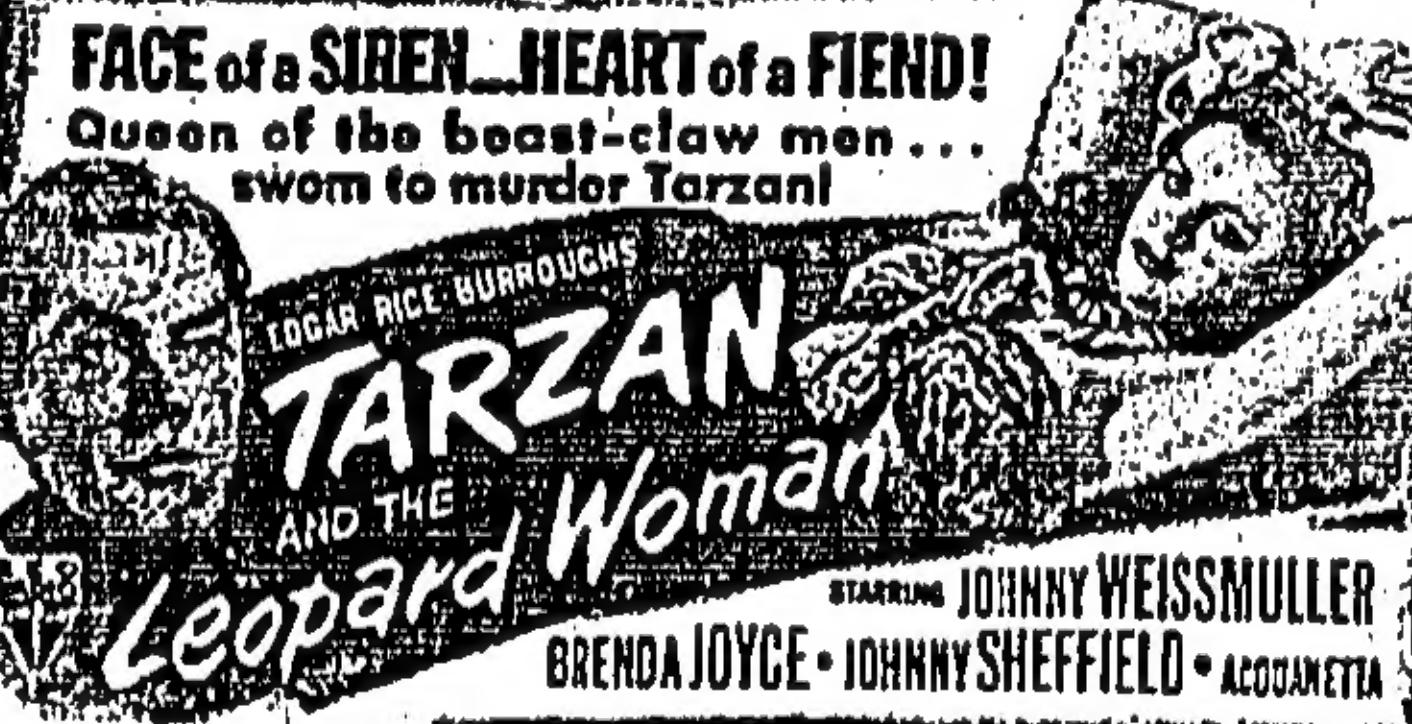
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Tyrone Power Maureen O'HARA in the

"BLACK SWAN"with Thomas MITCHELL George SANDERS
A 20th Century-Fox Picture

POCKET CARTOON



As nobody seems to know what's going on in Russia, here is your Uncle Nat, always willing to oblige, with a little thing entitled "Behind the Iron Curtain."

It is evening in Plonsk and snow is piled high outside. The Three Merry Moujiks, an ancient tavern once burned down with everybody in it by Ivan the Terrible because the beer was flat.

WILLIAM HICKEY
Grief & Grievance

DISGRACING London are ghouls who batten on private grief.

Case-hardened to all decrees, these smarties pester the bereaved.

They phone, write or call, trying with unctuous sympathy to rush through a deal while misery still saps resistance and weakens argument.

Consider one case which happened recently.

The day a widower published the announcement of his loss three estate agents rang up to inquire if the house was for sale.

BEFORE the funeral took place two jewellers, three second-hand clothes dealers and two furniture dealers had written or called, another estate agent pestered by telephone.

Silence of the letters emphasizing "discretion" and "nobody will know" was revolting. Having a man to deal with, callers left without ceremony: a widow is easier game.

Surely this is the lowest form of money grabbing in a world full of rackets.

G P. O. record room has found the original minute authorising the addition of three cats to the staff. This is the precedent for feeding post office cats from official funds.

Dated 1888, it reads—

"Three cats may be allowed on probation. They must undergo a test examination. It is important that the cats be not overfed, and I cannot allow more than 1s. a week for their support. They must depend on mice for the remainder of their emoluments."

SPECULATION about designs for really new cars seems agreed that the next motoring milestone will be goodbye to the gear-box.

Gearless cars—accelerator and brake pedals only—are now being built in Britain as well as in America, and the lead is bound to be followed when more manufacturers have to stop exporting prawn models and can get around to planning something new.

The development is overdue: it was long before the war when I helped to show the pace of a gearless car for the first time to British Association engineers in Cambridge, nearly went through the windscreen when the determined-to-be-thorough young president of the university motor club unexpectedly stood on everything at 70 m.p.h. to try to stall the engine.

But I am old enough to have a sneaking regret for the gear-box before it was simplified by synchromesh.

That wonderful glow of satisfaction following a snappy change-down belongs to the nearly forgotten days when motoring was fun.

THE Stationery Office has issued a new "Register" of Temporary Laws" now in force.

The first one was passed in 1781 to set up the Bank of Ireland.

Temp O'Rary?

COLLECTED by reader J. BRIGHT, of Plymouth—

Suit diplomat—Cheyne-gardens, Chelsea, glorious luxury house, Adam mantles and period staircase. Central heating.

NANCY Maybo Ho Itches Too



By Ernie Bushmiller

—ERIC BUSHMILLER—

Sitting on the Fence

by NATHANIEL GUBBINS

"Well, one of the papers has!"

"Yes."

"Do you mind if I tell you something?"

"It depends what it is."

"You're not going to like it."

"Aren't I?"

"I expect you'll hit me when I tell you."

"I don't suppose I shall."

"You'll hate me anyway."

"Not at all."

"You're sure you're Mr Gubbins?"

"Yes."

"And you write articles for one of the papers?"

"Yes."

"Do you know what I think of them?"

"No."

"Piffle."

"I'm sorry you think so."

"Piffle, piffle, piffle. That's straight from the shoulder, isn't it?"

"It certainly is."

"I'm not a man that swears words."

"Obviously."

"John Blunt, that's me."

"Glad to meet you, Mr Blunt."

"And that's not my proper name, neither."

"Isn't it?"

"Mr Clever."

"Clever's not my name either."

"So don't try to be funny."

"I'm not."

"I don't let nobody take a rise out of me."

"I'm not trying to take a rise out of you."

"If anybody wants to come the acid peels with me they know what to expect."

"I'm sure they do."

Just because I said your articles were piffle."

"I assure you I don't mind."

"Yes you do."

"Really, I don't."

"Perhaps you think I'm no judge?"

"No, I don't think so."

"Then why don't you mind?"

"You can't mind everything."

"I suppose my opinion's as good as anybody else's?"

"Certainly."

"And if I want to say anything about anything I shall say it."

"Why not?"

"It's a free country, isn't it?"

"More than most."

"Piffle."

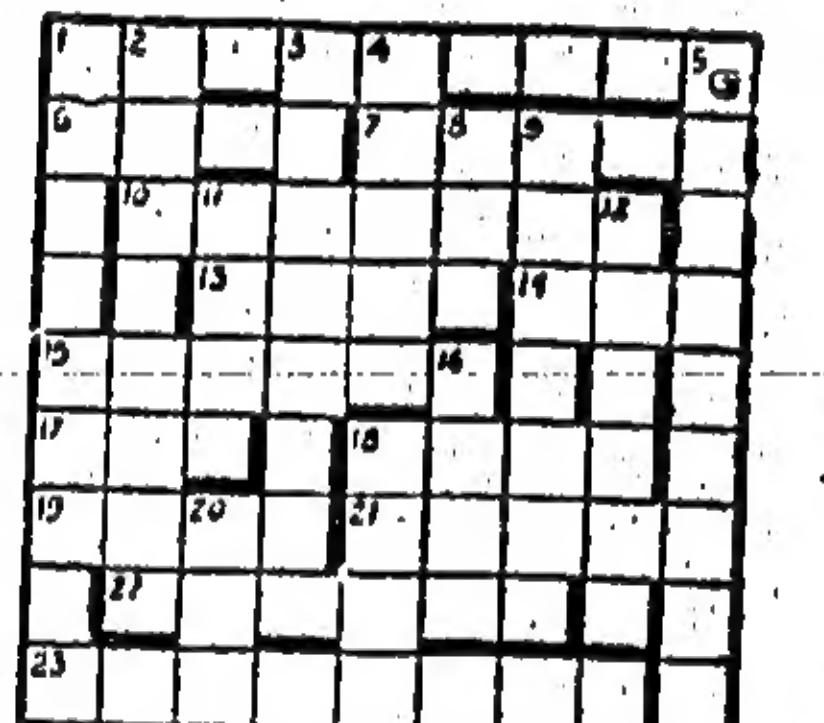
"All right, piffle."

"Mr Clever."

"Mr Blunt."

"Piffle, piffle, piffle."

CROSSWORD



According To Culbertson

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East had the chance to make a very fine defensive play in to-day's deal, but habit was too strong for him.

North, dealer.

North-South vulnerable.

NORTH

♦ K 7 5
♦ 4 3
♦ A K J
♦ Q J 10 9 4

WEST

♦ 8 6 4 2
♦ 7 5
♦ 7 5 4 3
♦ A 7 3

EAST

♦ J 10 3
♦ K Q J 6 2

SOUTH

♦ A Q 9
♦ A 10 9 8
♦ Q 10 9
♦ 8 5 2

The bidding:

North: ♠ 6 5 4 3
Pass: ♠ 7 6 5 4
South: ♠ 8 7 6 5
West: ♠ 9 8 7 6

South's jump to no trump was a trifle aggressive, but he felt that one no trump was far too weak a bid. A penalty double was perhaps his best bid, and this course would have netted him a safe 300 points.

As it turned out, however, South's aggressive bidding got him to a doubtful game contract which inaccurate defence allowed him to fulfil.

West properly opened the seven of hearts, and East put up the jack. South wisely refused to win this trick, but took the next trick with the heart ace when East continued by leading the heart king.

South counted his tricks and saw that he needed at least one club to make his game contract. Hence he properly led a club at once. No defence could defeat him, for the enemy could not bring in the long heart suit. If West won the first round of clubs, he could not lead a heart (for he had already played both of his hearts). And if East won the first club trick, he could set up his hearts but could never regain the lead to cash his heart tricks. Declarer therefore scored game and rubber.

East made his mistake at the first trick. When his partner led the seven of hearts, it should have been obvious that South held all the higher hearts—and consequently two more heart tricks. There was a chance to beat the contract if West could gain the lead while he still held a heart. Therefore East should have played the six or seven of hearts at the first club. South would win and lead club, but West would be able to win the first club and lead his remaining heart. This would set up the heart suit for East, and eventually he would get in with his club king to run his hearts.

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Solution of yesterday's puzzle. Across:

1. Tread. 11. Odd. 13. Grid. 14. D

Britain's Future In Indian Trade

The economic bonds linking Britain and India will remain firm for many years, but Britain's military position here is the big question mark, observers of the swiftly changing Indian scene believe.

Self-government of one form or another virtually is assured the Indians. That has prompted British businessmen to make hurried visits to New Delhi and other major trade centres for a cold appraisal of future prospects. Their reports to the home offices so far are discouraging.

On the other hand, military men say frankly that how long British troops remain in India is dependent on what the Constituent Assembly does in the next few months. If the troops are withdrawn, business prospects will become less encouraging.

If India seeks Dominion status, the British military forces would remain until the Indian Army is ready to take over. Even with complete independence, a treaty granting British military establishments would be possible, but that is a problem belonging to the uncertain future.

British trade with India should continue to flourish unless it is interrupted by civil war. Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru, President of the

LOSSES BY CHINESE IN INDONESIA

Nanking Protest

Nanking, Feb. 4.

The Chinese Government has protested to the Netherlands Government about the losses of life and property suffered by Chinese nationals at Palembang, Sumatra, when Dutch and Indonesian forces clashed there at the beginning of January. Chinese Foreign Office circles stated to-day.

The Dutch Government has agreed to give relief to the Chinese concerned, the same sources added.

The Chinese Consul-General at Batavia is said to have made a similar protest and request to the Indonesian authorities.

It is learned here that the Chinese Government intends to fly relief supplies to Chinese residents in Indonesia. The planes are to return with women, children and old people.—Reuter.

To Arm Themselves

Nanking, Feb. 5.

Foreign Office sources said China had filed "grave protests" with the Netherlands Government over heavy losses of Chinese life and property during Indonesian-Dutch fighting in southern Sumatra in the first five days of January.

They said the Foreign Ministry proposed to the Dutch and Indonesian authorities that safety zones be established and Chinese nationals be armed for self-protection.—Associated Press.

Queen Wilhelmina's Thanks

Batavia, Feb. 4.

After reading a letter by Queen Wilhelmina, thanking the Chinese society, "Fuk Hsing She," for its part in resistance work during the Japanese occupation, Dr. Hubertus van Mook announced to-day that the Netherlands Indies Government had decided to make a grant of 100,000 guilders to the Chinese Red Cross.—Reuter.

Beauty Queen Sentenced

Liverpool, Feb. 5.

Former beauty queen Mary Hilton, who is expecting her fourth child, was sentenced to life imprisonment yesterday after she pleaded guilty to poisoning her five-year-old twin daughters.

Evidence showed that she administered poison to the twins, another eight-year-old daughter and herself, following the breaking off of a romance with a British ex-serviceman. The older child recovered.—Associated Press.

Early Teaching of Facts of Life

Blackpool, Feb. 4.

Kindergarten children will begin learning the facts of life with their Bible and fairy stories, according to a plan announced to-day by the Blackpool Education authority.

The plan, which sets up an almost cradle-to-the-alter programme of education, will end in the senior year when the students will finally be taught the correct biological forms.

The plan specifically provides for elementary classes on sex to be introduced in scripture talks and fairy stories to "infant school" youngsters.

Meanwhile in London, Dr. Edward F. Griffith, consultant to the Marriage Guidance Council, recommended that engaged couples go to the Marriage Guidance Centre two months before the wedding "to allow plenty of time for correction of any minor conditions."

Dr. Griffith explained that a broken engagement is better than a broken marriage.

In a six-page survey on pre-marital sex education, he said good homes where sex is never mentioned are as bad or worse than those in which sex is loosely discussed.—Associated Press.

BANK GOVERNOR FOR 24 YEARS



Pictured above is the statue of Lord Norman, Governor of the Bank of England 1920-1944, which has been installed at the Bank.

The sculptor is Mr Charles Wheeler, RA., who is also doing four figure groups for Waterloo Bridge.

At Lord Norman's feet is Mr Wheeler's representation of the Old Lady of Threadneedle Street, holding the bank in her left hand.

The picture below gives a closer view of the Old Lady. You will notice she is not so old.



Grave Industrial Situation

London, Feb. 5.

Coal shortages closed more British industrial plants yesterday and the Government gravely faced a situation that could "may throw the industrial nation into economic chaos before spring."

With dozens of factories closed and at least 50,000 workers thrown into idleness, the crux of the problem was this—winter coal consumption exceeds production by nearly 150,000 tons per week—a deep dig into stocks that have already dwindled to less than two weeks supply.

Discussion on how to stretch supplies and prevent further deterioration of the position were given priority yesterday at a special Cabinet meeting originally called to study the Palestine situation.—Associated Press.

Exhilarating Cricket Features Fourth Test Match At Adelaide

Adelaide, Feb. 4.

Commenting on the fourth Test match to Reuter to-day, Victor Richardson, former Australian Test cricketer, said: "Exhilarating cricket was the keynote of the day's play."

"Miller who has become the greatest stroke maker in the game thrilled the crowd before lunch when he severely trounced England's do-paled attack."

Mr Dalton: "Yes."

Discussions Under Way

This exchange between Mr Churchill and Mr Dalton followed a question by Col Crosthwaite-Eyre (Cons) who asked what counter-negotiations were not proceeding relative to the liquidation of blocked Indian balances.

Mr Dalton said preliminary discussions were taking place with India, to be followed by similar discussions with Egypt and Iraq.

Mr Churchill: "Is that point going to be made? How could we accept the great concessions made on lend-lease by the United States and yet divert large proportions of our remaining assets to payment of an exactly similar war debt to the Indian Government?"

Mr Dalton: "I would prefer to wait until preliminary discussions have advanced."

Mr Churchill: "Will he bear in mind?"

Mr Dalton: "Yes."

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This exchange between Mr Churchill and Mr Dalton followed a question by Col Crosthwaite-Eyre (Cons) who asked what counter-negotiations were not proceeding relative to the liquidation of blocked Indian balances.

Mr Dalton said the discussions had just begun, and any conclusion reached which was satisfactory to the Government would certainly be notified to the House.

Another reference to India's sterling balances was made during a debate on the Exchange Control Bill in the House of Lords, where Lord Pethick-Lawrence, Secretary of State for India, analysing the causes of Britain's financial position, declared that through the part played in the war she saved India, Egypt and many other countries from the horrors of conquest.

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